## **DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE**

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This bulletin is directed to all insurers writing accident and sickness insurance policies, as defined by <a href="IC 27-8-28-9">IC 27-8-28-9</a>, in the nongrandfathered individual and small group market; health maintenance organizations, as defined by <a href="IC 27-13-1-19">IC 27-13-1-19</a>; risk retention groups, as defined by <a href="IC 27-7-10-11">IC 27-7-10-11</a>; reciprocals, as provided by <a href="IC 27-6-6-1">IC 27-6-6-1</a>; rating organizations, associations, and all other entities making accident and health product filings subject to the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act.

45 CFR 147.102(b) permits a state to establish rating areas within the state. If a state does not establish a rating area, rating areas will default to areas defined in federal regulations. The Indiana Department of Insurance hereby establishes, for plan years effective on or after January 1, 2014, the attached 17 geographical rating areas. These rating areas are actuarially justified, are not unfairly discriminatory, lead to stability in rates over time, apply uniformly to all issuers in a market, and are based on the geographic boundaries of counties, as required by the federal regulation. As such, premium factors within each rating area cannot vary and must, for the same plan, maintain the same set of rating factors throughout each rating area.

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## Geographic Rating Areas in Indiana Region Counties Lake, LaPorte, Porter Elkhart, Kosciusko, Marshall, St. Joseph, Starke Region 1 Adams, DeKalb, Huntington, LaGrange, Noble, Steuben, Wabash, Wells, Whitley Allen Benton, Jasper, Newton, Warren, White Cass, Fulton, Howard, Miami, Pulaski Carroll, Clinton, Fountain, Montgomery, Putnam, Tippecanoe, Tipton Region 5 Blackford, Delaware, Grant, Jay, Randolph Clay, Parke, Sullivan, Vermillion, Vigo Boone, Hamilton, Marion, Morgan, Shelby, Hendricks Region 8 Fayette, Hancock, Henry, Madison, Union, Wayne Bartholomew, Decatur, Jackson, Jennings, Rush Brown, Johnson, Lawrence, Monroe, Owen Region 11 Dearborn, Franklin, Ohio, Ripley, Switzerland Daviess, Dubois, Greene, Knox, Martin, Orange, Region 10 Perry, Pike, Spencer Clark, Crawford, Floyd, Harrison, Jefferson, Scott, Gibson, Posey, Warrick, Vanderburgh Region 12

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